

REMARKS

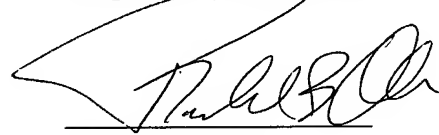
Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Claims 3-17 are pending in this application. Claims 3-7 have been allowed. Claims 1, 2, and 22-25 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter therein.

Claims 3-17 have been allowed. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that these claims be passed to issue.

In view of the actions taken and arguments made it is believed that all pending claims as currently presented are now in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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